



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First Named Applicant: Stumer (et al)  
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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Sir:

On 10/04/2005

- ☒ a Final Office Action was issued in the above-entitled case, setting a three month shortened  
statutory period for response.  
☐ a Notice of Appeal was filed.

Enclosed herewith is:

- ☐ a response to the outstanding Office Action.  
☐ an Appeal Brief.  
☒ a Request for Continued Examination and Preliminary Amendment.

This is a petition for a three (3) month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). The  
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\$ 1020.00 per 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)

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Respectfully submitted,

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